

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

## *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, The mission of Girl Scouting is to inspire girls with the highest ideals of character, conduct, patriotism, and service that they may become happy and resourceful citizens; and,

*Whereas*, Girl Scouting is a value-rooted, people centered organization whose aim is to build better people and to teach girls responsibility, cooperation, civic pride, and respect for self and others; and,

*Whereas*, Jessica Nicholas has earned the highest award in Girl Scouting, the Girl Scout Gold Award, symbolizing outstanding accomplishments in the areas of leadership, community service, career planning, and personal development; and,

*Whereas*, Jessica has demonstrated leadership skills and acted as a role model to fellow Girl Scouts; and,

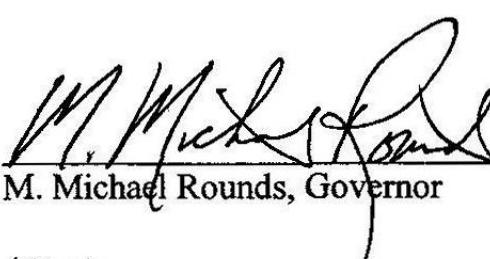
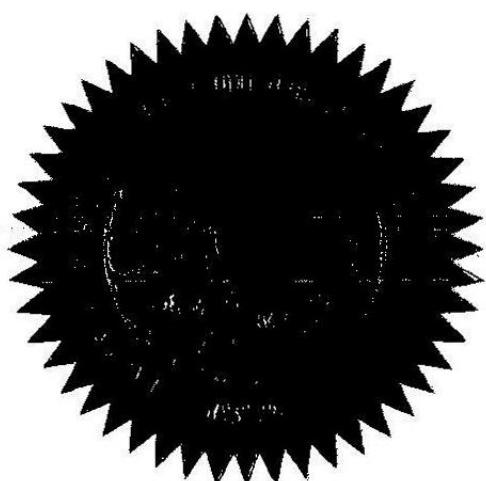
*Whereas*, It is altogether fitting and proper that the Governor of South Dakota recognize and commemorate Jessica's outstanding accomplishments of receiving the Girl Scout Gold Award:

*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim January 2, 2005, as

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in South Dakota, and I join Jessica's parents and her Girl Scout leaders in congratulating her on this momentous occasion.

*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-first Day of December in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Four.



M. Michael Rounds  
Governor

Attest:



Chris Nelson  
Secretary of State